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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Office Action dated May 28, 2004, restriction is required to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 13-15 and 24, drawn to an optical memory medium.
- II. Claims 16-23, drawn to an optical reproducing device.

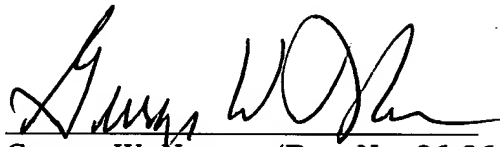
Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 13-15 and 24, without traverse, for further examination in the present application.

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An early examination and notice of allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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